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Director of Patents Box Amendment Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find an Amendment and Response to the Office Action dated January 16, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application.

In the event the patent office charges a fee for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 50-0612. An additional copy of this page is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-21 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-21 have been rejected. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

The Examiner has rejected the title for lack of description. Claims 1, 4, and 14 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,009,942 to Hirose (Hirose). Claims 1, 2, 4, 14, 15, 17, and 19-21 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,726,809 to U.S. Patent No. 5,726,809 to Griffith (Griffith). Claims 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 15, 16 and 18 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hirose in view of Griffith. Claims 6 and 7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over

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Griffith in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,157,781 to Konno et al. (Konno). Claims 9-12 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hirose in view of Konno.